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FOR: DECODING AND CODING METHOD

OF MOVING IMAGE SIGNAL, AND

DECODING AND CODING APPARATUS OF MOVING IMAGE SIGNAL USING THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Subject to approval by the Examiner in charge of the aboveidentified application, please amend Figures 3 and 4 as indicated in red on the enclosed marked-up copies of the drawings under separate cover with a Letter to the Official Draftsperson.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 8, line 3, change "307 Variable length code decoding means" to --307 Variable length coding means--.

At page 9, line 1, change "407 Variable length code decoding means" to --407 Variable length coding means--.